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Sir:

In reply to the Office action of May 14, 2003, it is respectfully requested that applicants' supplemental submission dated May 14, 2002 (date of the Certificate of Mailing), and the following amendment and remarks be entered and considered:

Amendment

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly cancel Claims 14 to 18, 20, 22, 23, 25, 26, 28 to 37 and 39 to 41 as indicated in the attached Listing of Claims in Appendix I of this paper. A clean copy of the claims remaining in the application is found in the attached Appendix II.